

**\$1.6** MILLION transferred from Auto Title (CTAF) Fund to the County's General Fund.

**6.5** MILLION pages of court documents imaged and auto-redacted.

**173** U.S. passports processed through the Clerk of Courts General Division.

**510** THOUSAND Auto Titles issued through the Auto Title Division.

**644** legal professionals trained in Civil eFiling processes.

**4,000** eFiling account registrations approved beginning mid-September.

## Executive Staff

Franklin County Clerk of Courts executive staff is led by **Chief of Staff Angela Radney**. Ms. Radney oversees the effective and efficient operations for the auto title and six legal divisions and a total staff of 220 Deputy Clerks. She leads the Clerk of Court's offices through organizational and personnel changes, and improves delivery of the agency's services to its internal stakeholders and all customers. Ms. Radney has 15 years experience in the public sector, and spent 11 of those years as Chief of Staff for the Columbus City Attorney prior to her current appointment with the county.

**Antone White, Director of Operations** Antone White has served as this agency's Director of Operations since 2010. Previously, Mr. White was in the administration of Columbus Mayor Michael B. Coleman as Deputy Communications Director. He also was Executive Assistant and advisor to Public Safety Director Mitchell Brown. In these roles, Mr. White was responsible for public relations, community affairs, public policy, and the Divisions of Police and Fire. With his B.A. from The Ohio State University in Political Science and a minor in City and Regional planning, Mr. White spent most of the past 15 years directing political and private sector operations and programs.

**Christine Thompson, Director of Human Resources** With more than 20 years government experience, Ms. Thompson is a skilled and highly qualified Human Resources professional. Ms. Thompson works closely with human resources department and labor representatives to ensure personnel policies and procedures are compliant with legal and binding requirements. She holds both a law degree and Senior Professional in Human Resources certification from the HR Certification Institute. Prior to joining the county, Ms. Thompson worked in the Office of Ohio Governor Ted Strickland as Deputy Legal Counsel for HR and Labor.

**Kenny Skeaton, Director, Auto Title Division**, originally began his career with the Clerk of Courts in 2008 as Manager of Auto Title North office. Within two years, he was promoted to Director of the entire Division, overseeing the operations of four county Auto Title offices. He also serves as Council member for the Village of Urbancrest. In addition to his government experience, Mr. Skeaton spent 6 years in the private sector managing instock processes for a large national retail chain. Mr. Skeaton holds both a B.A. from The Ohio State University and an MBA from ITT Technical Institute, specializing in Organizational Management, Talent Management and Business Information Systems.

**Ned Kirby**, serves as this agency's **Compliance Director**. With more than 35 years in private law practice, business, and government service, Mr. Kirby joined the Clerk of Courts in March, 2003. He advises administrative and managerial staffs on day-to-day legal and procedural issues, and is the Clerk's liaison with various county agencies. Mr. Kirby also serves on numerous Committees through the Columbus Bar Association.

**Shawn Rieder**, joined this agency in 2006 as the **Director of Fiscal Services**. He brings more than 15 years of financial expertise and management experience. Supervising a staff of 18 and overseeing a current annual budget of \$13.2 million, Mr. Rieder led this agency through three consecutive error-free audits by the State of Ohio, Auditor's office since 2008. Mr. Rieder holds a degree from Ohio Wesleyan University.

**Xenia Palus, Director of Communications**, has held her current position since 2010. Responsible for developing the agency's strategic communications plan, Ms. Palus incorporated a consistent brand identification for the agency in all printed collateral and promotional materials. She spent 12 years in nonprofit employment most recently as Director of Membership for Experience Columbus where she was responsible for business development and promotions. Ms. Palus is also a 14 year veteran of public sector work, and served as Senior Risk Analyst for the City of Columbus' Benefits Department.

**Barb Fields, Information Technology Director** has lead the agency's IT Department since 2010. A 25 year veteran of the Clerk of Courts' agency, Ms. Fields currently oversees and supports all the agency's technical applications. A participant on the eFiling project, Ms. Fields played a vital role in developing the agency's eFiling processes and guiding this agency through this critical transition.

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## Office of Fiscal Services

In 2011, the Office of Budget and Management was renamed to Office of Fiscal Services (OFS). This name change better reflects the essential functions this office provides the Clerk of Courts and the Franklin County Common Pleas Court.

OFS successes included:

- Responsible fiscal management resulting in \$1.6 million transferred from Auto Title Special fund to the county's general fund.
- In 2011, the Office of Fiscal Services managed an operating budget of more than \$13.2 million
- Received an excellent report since 2008 from the Auditor of State's office; for management practices.

## Information Technology

The Clerk's Information Technology department (IT) is dedicated to maintaining, supporting and enhancing the Franklin County Clerk of Courts' data operations and working with other county agencies on select projects to improve functional operations throughout the county, ultimately benefitting constituent groups.

This year's highlights included:

- In 2011, the Clerk of Courts office imaged and auto-redacted 6,583,150 images of court documents a 20% increase from 2010.
- Successfully transitioned Civil case filings to the eFlex process.
- Actively participated in building workflows for Domestic's eFiling system.
- Updated information available through Case Information Online access.

## 2011 Achievements

Transferred \$1.6 million from Auto Title Special fund to Franklin County General fund in support of vital and essential services.

Successful move into new courthouse; co-locating Civil and Criminal offices and Records section into Clerk of Courts' General Division.

Transitioned Civil cases to electronic format through successful collaborations with Court representatives and personnel from key county agencies.

644 legal professionals trained to utilize eFiling process for Civil case filings.

4,000 eFiling registrants approved within first month of mandatory eFiling orders.

Installed 2 TV monitors in auto title offices' lobbies and produced informative video of guidelines for general public's understanding of basic auto title transactions. Each video production loops through Spanish and Somalian presentations.

Professionalized and streamlined agency's operations in legal and auto title divisions.

Provided mandatory ethics training to 220 Deputy Clerks.

# By the numbers: 2011 Budget and Revenues

## 2011 BUDGET\*

Operating Budget	Funds	Full-time Employee Equivalent Allocation
Auto Title Program \$5,179,665	General Fund \$3,359,800	Auto Title Program 80.19
Legal Services Program \$7,028,559	Certificate of Title Administration Fund \$11,852,571	Legal Services Program 134.52
Financial Mgmt. Program \$1,029,308		Financial Mgmt. Program 16.79
<b>Total \$13,237,532</b>	<b>Total \$15,212,371</b>	<b>Total 231.50</b>

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## 2011 CONSOLIDATED REVENUE STATEMENT

Revenue	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Total
Legal	765,412.70	886,790.25	818,101.53	823,799.49	3,294,103.97
Legal for other agencies	193,422.23	250,184.00	254,375.61	228,322.75	926,304.59
Computerization Fund General Div.	81,097.00	75,882.56	84,031.16	72,484.23	313,494.95
Computer Fund Domestic Relations Div	21,839.50	27,567.75	28,640.25	25,398.00	103,445.50
Public Defender	8,942.00	10,236.00	6,199.00	6,299.00	31,676.00
Auto Title Fund	1,307,990.30	1,100,581.37	1,540,964.14	1,992,918.70	5,942,454.51
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,378,703.73</b>	<b>\$2,351,241.93</b>	<b>\$ 2,732,311.69</b>	<b>\$3,149,222.17</b>	<b>\$10,611,479.52</b>

\*Approved by the Franklin County Board of Commissioners  
December 2010



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## LEGAL OPERATIONS

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### APPEALS DIVISION

373 S. High Street, 23rd FL  
Columbus, OH 43215  
(614) 525-3624

### CIVIL Section

345 S. High Street, 1st FL  
Columbus, OH 43215  
(614) 525-3621

### CRIMINAL Section

345 S. High Street, 1st FL  
Columbus, OH 43215  
(614) 525-3650

### RECORDS ROOM

(Civil and Criminal cases)  
345 S. High Street, 1st FL  
Columbus, OH 43215  
(614) 525-3625

### DOMESTIC RELATIONS DIVISION (Divorce)

373 S. High Street, 4th FL  
Columbus, OH 43215  
(614) 525-4410

### JUVENILE DIVISION

373 S. High Street, 4th FL  
Columbus, OH 43215  
(614) 525-4411

### JUVENILE TRAFFIC SECTION

399 S. Front Street, 1st FL  
Columbus, OH 43215  
(614) 525-5279

### ADMINISTRATION & FISCAL SERVICES

373 S. High St., 23rd FL  
Columbus, OH 43215  
(614) 525-3601

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## AUTO TITLE OPERATIONS

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### TITLE MAIN (South Branch)

Great Southern  
Shopping Center  
45 Great Southern Blvd.  
Columbus, OH 43207

### TITLE EAST *NEW SITE 2012*

1583 Alum Creek Dr.  
Columbus, OH 43209

### TITLE NORTH

The Patio Shops  
1484 Morse Road  
Columbus, OH 43229

### TITLE WEST (Shipley Service Center Branch)

Charles D. Shipley Building  
1970 West Broad Street  
Columbus, OH 43223

**Title Help Line: (614) 525-3090**

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